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This paper is a request for a continuation under 37 CFR §1.53(d) of:

Applicant: JENS PONIKAU

Attorney Docket No.: 07039-129001

Title:

METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR TREATING AND PREVENTING

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INFLAMMATION OF MUCOSAL TISSUE

Prior U.S. application no:

09/177,273

Filing Date:

October 22, 1998

The prior application was complete as defined by 37 CFR §1.51(b), or was a national stage of an international application filed in compliance with 35 USC §371.

This request for a CPA is the reference to the prior application noted above as required by 35 USC §120. Kindly abandon the prior application in favor of the continued proceedings that are requested herein.

This request includes 2 sheets.

Enclosures:

— Communication (1 page);

— Copy of the documents submitted on December 10, 1999, including:

(1) a copy of the transmittal letter (1 page);

091772(2) a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages); 02/20/2001 FPATTERS 00000003 061050

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(3) a copy of the PTO-1449 (1 page);

(4) a copy of the foreign Search Report; and

(5) Returned Postcard.

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- Small entity statement. This application is entitled to small entity status.
- Postcard.

The entire disclosure of the prior application is part of this application and is incorporated by reference.

Basic filing fee	\$355
Total claims in excess of 20 times \$9	\$0
Independent claims in excess of 3 times \$40	\$0
Fee for multiple dependent claims	\$0
Total filing fee:	\$355

A check for the filing fee is enclosed. Please apply any other required fees or any credits to deposit account 06-1050, referencing the attorney docket number shown above.

If this application is found to be incomplete, or if a telephone conference would otherwise be helpful, please call the undersigned at (612) 335-5070.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant notes that an initialed copy of the 1449-PTO form submitted on December 10, 1999 has not been returned. Applicant respectfully requests a copy of this initialed 1449-PTO form. For the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the 1449-PTO form submitted December 10, 1999 is attached along with the accompanying documents. Copies of the references listed on the 1449-PTO form will be resubmitted upon request.

Applicant respectfully submits that previously allowed claims 1-7, 9-13, 16-20, and 51-104 remain in condition for allowance, which action is requested. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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